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In Re Application Of:

JAMES J. HYMAN AND ROBERT S. LEBLANC

Serial Number: 10/074,693

Filing Date: February 12, 2002

Entitled: **RELEASABLE CORD APPARATUS AND
BREAKAWAY END PORTION FOR
WINDOW TREATMENTS**

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL
APPLICATION – FILING DATE GRANTED**

Sir:

Responsive to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application – Filing Date Granted" mailed March 11, 2002 and having a shortened response period set to expire on May 11, 2002, Applicant is submitting herewith (1) a copy of that Notice; (2) a Declaration and

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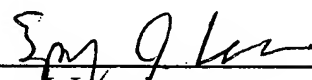
Petition executed by the inventors; (3) an Assignment (with recordation cover sheet and filing fee of \$40.00); (4) a check in the amount of \$1,638.00 for the filing of this Response (which includes the basic filing fee of \$740.00, the additional claim fees charge of \$768.00 and the surcharge fee of \$130.00); (5) Power of Attorney; and (6) a return postage paid post card.

In the event any variance exists between the amount attached and the Patent and Trademark Office charges, please charge or credit any variance to our Deposit Account No. 16-2230.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the corrected official Filing Receipt be issued at an early date.

Respectfully requested,

Dated: May 13, 2002



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

- An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).
- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$768.
 - \$432 for 24 total claims over 20.
 - \$336 for 4 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1638.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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